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MEDICINAL.

My Poor Back!

"That poor back" is held responsible for more than its share of the sufferings of mankind. If your dog bites a man who kicks the dog? On the same principle the kidneys utter their protest against nervousness, impure blood, and resulting constipation. These force them to do extraordinary work in ridding the system of the poisons which are the cause. Then the sufferer says the back "Not yet!" but they will not be blood purified, and the constipation of kidney troubles, and Paine's Celery Compound removes them quickly. The effect, it also strengthens the weak curing all diseases of the nerves and kidneys. If you hope of cure have not been realized, try Paine's Celery Compound. It gives perfect health to all who complain of "their poor backs." Price \$1.00.



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COMMISSION MERCHANT.

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space contracted for.

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Resolutions in memoriam, of thanks, tributes of respect,

resolutions adopted by societies or persons, unless of

public concern, will only be printed in this paper as

advertisements.

Persons leaving the city can have the Gazette mailed to

them, postpaid, for fifty cents a month, and the

address changed as often as desired.

All communications should be addressed to "Gazette,"

Alexandria, Va.

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or any information or business can be sent by Tele-

phone.

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second-class matter.]

Theodore Hook's Joke.

Theodore Hook was a famous practical joker, and once, at least, he perpetrated a jest that disturbed all London and amused all England, writes William Sheppard in *Lippincott's Magazine*. This was the famous Berners street hoax. Berners street in 1810 was a quiet street, inhabited by well-to-do families living in a genteel way. One morning, soon after breakfast, a wagon load of coals drew up before the door of a widow lady living in the street. A van load of furniture followed, then a hearse with a coffin and a train of mourning coaches. Two fashionable physicians, a dentist and an acrobat came to the door, wondering why so many lumbering vehicles blocked the way. Six men brought a great chamber organ; a brewer sent several barrels of ale; a grocer sent a car load of potatoes. Coach-makers, clock-makers, carpet manufacturers, confectioners, wig makers, mantua makers, opticians and curiosity dealers followed with samples of their wares. From all quarters trooped in coachmen, footmen, cooks, housemaids and nursery-maids in quest of situations. To crown all, dignitaries came in their carriages—the Commander in Chief, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chief Justice, a Cabinet Minister, a governor of the Bank of England and the lord mayor. The latter—among many who readily recognized that all had been the victims of some gigantic hoax—drove to Marlborough street police office, and stated that he had received a letter from a lady in Berners street to the effect that she had been summoned to attend at the Mansion House, that she was at death's door, and that she would deem it a great favor if his Lordship would call upon her. The other dignitaries had been appealed to in a similar way. Police officers were dispatched to maintain order in Berners street. They found it choked up with vehicles, jammed and interlocked one with another. The drivers were infuriated. The disappointed tradesmen were clamoring for vengeance. Some of the vans and goods were overturned and broken; a few barrels of ale had fallen a prey to the large crowd that was maliciously enjoying the old lady and the inmates of adjoining houses were in abject terror. Every one soon saw that a hoax had been perpetrated, but Hook's connection with it was not discovered until long afterward. He had noticed the quietness of the neighborhood, and had laid a wager with another wag that he could make Berners street the talk of all London. A door plate had furnished him with Mrs. —'s name, and he had spent three days in writing the letters which brought the crowd to her door. At the appointed time he had posted himself with two or three companions in a lodging just opposite, which he had rented for the purpose of enjoying the scene. He deemed it expedient, however, to go off quickly into the country and there remain incog. for some time.

A Remarkable Voyage.

"How did you come over, Pat?" asked the *Journal* man of a well-known laborer in the yard of one of the Lewiston mills after the story teller had done telling his story. "I left home," he began after expressions of diffidence, "when I was a lad, and my cousin says he to me, 'My boy, my boy,' and beggory I was sad, indeed. I didn't ship nor pay my passage. I didn't register on the ship's books, for they days were afore the steamship times. I just stowed myself in the ship's hold until one day the churain' and the thumpin' got that loud that I was afraid and I come aloft to the deck of the ship." After he got on deck, his narrative continues, the Captain fell on him and gave him three lashings a day on his bare back, with unfailing regularity. This became so monotonous that one day he fell on his knees and pleaded for his life, and the Captain had a big cork rolled up out of the ship's hold, its head knocked in, a lot of food put into it, Patrick was put into the cask, the head replaced, and, with only the bung hole open, the entire cask and contents rolled into the sea. For days he drifted on and on. "I had only the bung hole to look out of, and the great green waves all around me." "How did you get water?" "All the water I had to drink was what washed through the bung hole." "And you like salt water?" "Sure it's only a matter of taste." After Pat had drifted many days, and had begun to grow very fat from his inactivity, he one day felt the cask bumping on the shore, and pretty soon was washed up high and dry. With a certain naivete, he says that he had by this time begun to be sort of frightened. He saw no signs of life until after several hours the sea cows and bulls came roaming over the seashore where they had come down to drink. At this point it is better not to question the taste of cows for salt water. One of the bulls came smelling around his cask, and playfully leaped up against the bung hole to rest. Pat put up his hand and quietly grabbed the bull's tail. Then he pulled it through, and, bracing his feet against the head of the cask, gave the tail a twist. The bull awoke. He looked around. The cask had him. With a snort like the wrath of Jove he started. Whew! How he ran. He bounded over fields and had

ges, into the streets of the city, past wharves and docks, past the custom house, up to the city building, where, in weathering a street corner, he split the cask in two over a lamp post, and Pat stood forth from his prison house of weeks, a free man. He was in New Jersey.—*Lewiston Journal*.

Syrup of Figs.

Is Nature's own true laxative. It is the most easily taken, and the most effective remedy known to cleanse the system when Bileous or Obstructive; to dispel Headaches, Colds, and Fevers; to cure Habitual Constipation, Indigestion, Flatulency, Manicure, and all the ailments of the Bowels. Manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Company, San Francisco, Cal. E. S. Leadbeater & Co., Agents—Alexandria, Va.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Mrs. WILSON'S SOOTHING SYRUP, for children's teething, is the prescription of one of the best female nurses and physicians in the United States, and has been used for forty years with never failing success by millions of mothers for their children. During the process of teething its value is incalculable. It relieves the child from pain, cures dysentery and diarrhea, griping in the bowels, and wind-colic. By giving health to the child it rests the mother. Price 25 cents a bottle.

MEDICINAL.

Laxador cures Liver Complaint, Biliousness, Dropsical Affections and Constipation. At druggists. Price 25 cts.

DR. BULL'S
COUGH
SYRUP
CURES COUGHS & COLDS FOR 25 C.

SALVATION OIL
(Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists.)
Relieves quickly Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Swellings, Bruises, Lumbago, Sprains, Headache, Toothache, Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Sores, Backache, &c.

CHEW-LANGE'S PLUMS, The Great Tobacco Antidote.—Price 10 cts. At all druggists.

ELIXIR BABEK,
A SAFE AND POSITIVE CURE FOR
MALARIA, FEVER AND AGUE.

Also as a Tonic for strengthening and invigorating the system. A vegetable compound, contains no quinine. For sale by all druggists. 50 cents a bottle; three bottles for \$1.25.

E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.,
Wholesale Depot, Alexandria, Va.

CONFECTIONERS.

SUMMER AT BRENGLE'S.

ICE CREAM, CREAM SODA,

CREAM AND FRUIT,

PIE AND MILK.

The old, reliable CONFECTIONERY OF HENRY BRENGLE, No. 531 King street, is ready, and will supply summer delicacies the season through. Each berry and fruit served with Cream of varied flavors at the lowest price and as good as ever.

FOUNDERS AND MACHINISTS.

W. S. MOORE,

Machinist, Iron and Brass Founder

SHIPSMITH AND BLACKSMITH

(OLD DOMINION WORKS)

No. 59 and 65 Union street, Alexandria, Va. Will furnish and repair all kinds of Machinery, Iron and Brass Castings, Wrought and Cast Iron Fences, Mill Work, Ship and Blacksmithing, Edge Tools, Mill Picks, Facing Hammers, and all kinds of Mill Work made and repaired at the shortest notice, and at reasonable prices.

The highest market price paid for Old Wrought and Cast Iron, Brass and Copper.

HARDWARE.

John T. Creighton & Son,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

HARDWARE AND CUTLERY.

No. 88 KING, CORNER OF ROYAL STREET

Have on hand a very large and well assorted stock of goods in their line.

Country merchants are invited to call and examine before purchasing.

Satisfaction guaranteed. Call and see. [ap12]

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CHARLES E. STUART,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

No. 306 PRINCE STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Practices in the Supreme Court of Appeals, in the Circuit Court of the city of Alexandria, and in the Circuit and County Courts of the adjoining counties and in the Federal courts.

We Want You to Read This!

We are showing a line of FURNITURE complete in every detail.

BED ROOM SUITS in Antique Oak, Cherry, Ash, Walnut, etc.

PARLOR SUITS in Silk, Plush, Mohair Plush, Wool Plush and Hair Cloth.

SIDEBOARDS in Oak, Cherry, Walnut, etc.

Fancy Tables in all styles.

A full line of CARPETS, BUGS, OIL CLOTHS, etc., etc.

FANCY VASES and URNS of modern and antique design.

BLANKETS, COMFORTS and BEDDING of all descriptions on hand and made to order.

H. RUBEN & SONS
Cash and Installment House,
601 King street.

BRECH LOADING GUNS, fine quality, shell

Loading Implements, Shells, Caps, Primers, Wads

and other goods in same line, will be sold at low prices, at 88 King, corner of Royal streets. Call and examine.

J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

SMITH'S BILE BEANS, the new popular remedy

for Biliousness, Sick Headache, etc.; also PAIN'S CELEBY COMPOUND, so well advertised on the first page of the GAZETTE, are for sale by

E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

PROPOSALS.

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ALEXANDRIA, Va., October 22, 1888.

Sealed proposals will be received up to the 30th instant at 8 o'clock p. m., for furnishing ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY CORDS OF MEE CHANTABLE PINE WOOD, to be delivered to the poor of the city as ordered and in quantities not greater than one quarter of a cord.

The wood is to be delivered during the months of December, 1888, and January and February, 1889.

Bids should be addressed to the undersigned, and will be opened at the Auditor's office Tuesday night, October 30, 1888, at 8 p. m.

By order of the Committee on Poor.

oct22 St. GEO. W. FISHER, Chairman.

PROPOSALS.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., October 22, 1888.

Sealed proposals will be received up to the 30th instant from the grocers of the city for supplying the poor of the different wards with the following:

Super Flour, per pound.

Meat, per peck.

Coffee (green), per pound.

Tea, per pound.

Sugar, per pound.

Smoked Bacon, per pound.

Fish, per dozen.

For three months from December 1, 1888, with privilege of renewing after the expiration of above term.

Bids will be opened at the Auditor's office Tuesday, October 30, 1888, at 8 o'clock p. m., and a bond in the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) will be required of the successful bidder.

By order of the Committee on Poor.

oct22 Id. GEO. W. FISHER, Chairman.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

NEW BOOKS.

Just received at

FRENCH'S.

Bible studies, 50c.

Abel's Commentary (The Romans), \$1.75.

The Old Testament, \$1.25.

Strange Manuscript, \$1.25.

Eden, 50c.

Undercurrents, 25c.

Legal Week, 35c.

Kenneth Cameron, 75c.

Reinhold's and Deeds, 50c.

Lord Hume's, 50c.

The B. own's, 25c.

The Dream, 50c.

Little Mail of America, 50c.

A Forbidden Marriage, 25c.

A Wife's Tragedy, 25c.

The Prince's Kingdom, 50c.

How to Cook, 30c.

Hagerstown Almanac, 1889.

All the new Fashion Books for fall and winter.

Magazines, Reviews, Daily and Weekly Papers.

Something new every day.

oct20 GEO. F. FRENCH.

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NEW AND SECOND-HAND

SCHOOL BOOKS,

—ALSO—

PENS, INK, PAPER, PENCILS, TABLETS, COPY, COMPOSITION AND SCRATCH BOOKS.

SATCHELS, STRAPS, RULERS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS AT

DYSON'S LITTLE STORE,

508 King street, Alexandria, Va.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as administrator upon the estate of HARRISON JACOBS, deceased, late of Alexandria, Va., notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make payment, and all persons having claims against said estate to present them, properly verified, for settlement, at her residence, 410 South Pitt street.

SUSAN A. JACOBS,

sep21 w4w Adm. of Harrison Jacobs, dec'd.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

By deed dated September 25th, 1888, and duly recorded, J. W. NALLS and W. E. NALLS, trading as NALLS & COMPANY, assigned to me all their stock in trade, book accounts, etc., to convert into cash and pay their debts. All persons indebted to said parties will settle the same promptly, and all persons having claims against said parties will present the same to the undersigned for payment.

J. K. M. NORTON, Trustee.

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FANCY GOODS, NOTIONS, &c.

Our Winter Stock of Underwear

for Ladies, Gentlemen and Children is now full and complete. We ask an examination and challenge a comparison with any in the market. Our friends will find first-class goods at the most reasonable rates.

We have also a full stock of Virginia Castles, Domestic Dry Goods, Notions, &c. Shirts made to order and fit guaranteed.

AMOS B. SLAYMAKER,
No. 429 King street.

—THE—

Mount Vernon Fire Insurance Co.

HOME OFFICE,
CORNER KING AND FAIRFAX STREETS,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Writes insurance on city or country property at current rates.

Losses promptly paid.

All assets securely invested and risks carefully selected.

F. E. COBBETT, President.

sep8 A. A. WARFIELD, Secretary.

GENUINE METAL PUTZ POMADE.

The largest supply ever in the city. It is invaluable for the polishing of scales, show cases, musical instruments, gold, silver, copper, brass, tin, nickel plate, &c. For sale in 5, 10 and 50c boxes. Call for samples at

feb28 W. F. CREIGHTON & CO.

CHOICE FLOUR.

BAKER'S CRYSTAL

TENNEY'S NEW SOUTH,
FAMILY AND BOLLER EXTRA.

For sale by

J. C. MILBURN.

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GUNS, PISTOLS, SHELLS, PRIMERS, &c.

at 329 King, corner of Royal street. We have still on hand a good assortment of Guns, Pistols, &c., of various quality, which we are offering at low prices. Examine "DAVIS B. L. GUNS," equal to the best at much lower prices.

oct27 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

J. D. H. LUNT,

Agent for the Celebrated

ASHLEY BROMIDE OF ARSENIC WATER.

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COAL TAR CAMPHOR

AT

JOHN D. H. LUNT'S.

Twenty cents per pound.

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GREEN GINGER received to-day by

J. C. MILBURN.

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MIXED SPICES for pickle, 10c per package at

J. C. MILBURN'S.

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AUCTION SALES.

By R. T. Lucas, Auctioneer.

LARGE BANKRUPT SALE
At No. 322 King street
(Mrs. F. G. Swaine's old stand)
Commencing FRIDAY MORNING, October 26th,
at 10 o'clock, and continuing for TWO DAYS
ONLY. Must be sold regardless of cost.
The stock consists of Ladies' Jersey, Ribbons,
Velvets, Dress Silks, Curtains and Laces, Table
Cloths, Boys' Clothing, Hosiery, Stationery, 300
volumes Books, Plush Boxes, Blankets, Quilts,
Plated Ware, Cutlery and Pipes, together with a
well-selected stock of Notions.

oct21 St. S. SAMSTAG, Salesman.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

GROCERIES, STORE FIXTURES, &c.

By virtue of a deed of trust, executed by F. H. and C. W. Kramer, I will sell at private sale for cash and under seal on WEDNESDAY, October 31, 1888, all the GROCERIES, STORE FIXTURES and MILLER'S SAFFRON in the store at the northeast corner of Prince and Fairfax streets, Alexandria, Va., and all not previously sold will be sold at public auction, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. of that day. Terms of sale—cash.

oct25 St. A. W. ARMSTRONG, Trustee.

BY VIRTUE OF A DEED OF THE CORPORATION

of the City of Alexandria, rendered on the 13th day of April, 1888, in the chancery cause therein depending between Janney & Ward, plaintiff, and the undersigned, Trustee, defendant, and the undersigned, who was appointed commissioner of sale by said decree, will offer for sale at public auction, on SATURDAY, November 31, 1888, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the Royal street corner to the Market Building:

1.—ALL THAT LOT OF GROUND and IMPROVEMENTS situated at the southeast corner of Duke and Alfred streets, fronting on Duke street 30 feet, more or less, and running back in depth 70 feet, more or less to an alley 15 ft. 6 in. wide.

2.—ALL THAT LOT OF GROUND on the south side of